

## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

An apparatus and method for decelerating a sheet of material for use in a sheet stacking or other application. The apparatus includes a pair of rollers moveable toward and away from one another to nip the sheet traveling between them. The method includes delivering a sheet  
5 between a pair of rollers and moving the rollers toward one another to nip, and thus decelerate, the speed of the sheet.